		ECL	BCCL
Interest	TOTAL	46.18	44.54
Others		71.67	65.69
		709.54	526.66

The benefit of better productivity of BCCL in comparison to that of ECL to significant extent is being neutralised by the lower sale price of BCCL coal.

Payment of CCS to Public Sector Exporting Companies

791. DR. BAPU KALDATE:

(c) whether it is a fact that some vested interests were causing hinderances in the export growth; and

(d) if so, what action Government have taken against such vested interests?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Core Group will provide a forum for facilitating interaction between Govt, and Industry to resolve operational problems in the interests of export promotion. While such inter-actions did take place even earlier, the formation of the Group will institutionalise the mechanism of inter-action to make it regular and effective.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Docs not arise.

Per Capita Consumption of Food

789. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) what is the per capita consumption of food; and

(b) whether the per capita consumption is same for several years or has decreased?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) The daily per capita net availability of foodgrains (cereals and pulses) for domestic consumption in the recent past has been computed as under, as given in the Economic Survey 1994-95:—

(In grams)

1992	468.5
1993	464.4
1994	474.2

(The figures are provisional)

SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:
SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA:
MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI:
SHRI AJIT P.K. JOGI:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of cases relating to payment of cash compensatory support to the public sector exporting companies are still pending for payments;

(b) if so, the details thereof and since when these cases are pending in each regional office of D.G.F.T.;

(c) the number of cases in which Government had requested the audit authorities to drop their objections and to allow payments to be made;

(d) whether these cases will be expedited and settled at the earliest; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (e) No cas of any Public Sector undertaking pending for payment of CCS. In respect of one case of M/s. Balmer Lawrie Co. Ltd., the Audit had raised objection about alleged overpayment to the exte of nearly Rs. 71,69,714. The matter w taken up with the Principal Director Audit, Madras, who reduced the amou of overpayment to about Rs. 69,04,9